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NHL star Matt Duchene, second left, was in town for his annual charity golf classic July 18, raising over $234,000 for the HHHS Foundation. Pictured with Ryan Bottum, Alex Monk-Cray and Keaton Gadway. See more on page 14. *Photo by Mike Baker.*

No daytime burning is snuffing out fires

By Lisa Gervais

County fire coordinator Michael French says a decision last year by the four townships – to put no daytime burning rules into effect - "was a really progressive move" that has led to fewer blazes and a reduced need for fire bans.

Daytime burning is not allowed from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. between April 1 and Oct. 31.

Speaking on behalf of Algonquin Highlands, French said, "we haven't been busy at all. We're way down in calls. We're probably down 30 per cent."

For the most part, the chief added the public is respecting the new regulations.

One anomaly was a July 13 fire on Beech Lake in which someone used a burn barrel during the day, with flames spreading into nearby trees. However, French said the person was in violation of the rules "so appropriate action was taken."

People breaking the regulations can be held responsible for damage to property or people; be liable for the cost of firefighting equipment and personnel; and for any costs or expenses owed by the municipality to the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) for controlling or extinguishing a fire.

Otherwise, French said, "we haven't had any issues. We have been fortunate they are following the rules in the four townships. There is zero tolerance; they will be held accountable if they are burning outside the burn bylaw."

There have been no fire bans in the

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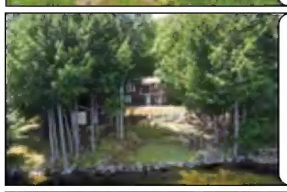

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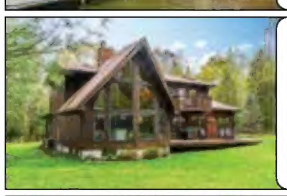

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Algonquin Highlands fire chief, Michael French, is the County fire coordinator. *Photo by Lisa Gervais.*

No fire bans in County so far this summer

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County this summer despite some hot temperatures.

"Nobody's burning in the daytime which really limits the opportunity for bush and wildfires so it was a really progressive move on the four townships' part, and everybody's respecting it, so that's very important," French said.

The County chief said the MNR monitors conditions and updates the townships. He added they are measured at the Stanhope headquarters "so nice and close to the region."

Once they get the conditions' statement, the four fire chiefs and CAOs discuss whether a ban is needed, and, so far, none have been required.

Minden Hills chief Don Kruger said his department hasn't been particularly busy this year, noting they "have not had much in the way of grass/bush fires since April," despite the region's fire danger rating consistently reading mid-to-high.

Chris Baughman, chief in Highlands East, said he's had minimal calls for grass and bush fires – a welcome reprieve after a busy few years. "We are encouraging people to continue to use caution and safe burning practices [when permitted], as they should be regardless of the conditions."

At a July 22 council meeting, Dysart chief Dan Chumbley said his department has seen an uptick in calls this year, responding to 25 per cent more incidents through the first six months of 2025 – 247 compared to 205 last year. He said firefighters responded to three grass fires and a structure fire in June.

Alison Lake, a fire information officer with the MNR, said the fire hazard value for the Haliburton Highlands is currently "moderate," apart from one area near Kawartha Highlands Provincial Park with a high value.

French added one of the important things about having the no daytime burning is "it gives more leniency because with people not burning in the daytime, we don't have to be as aggressive putting a fire ban on because in the evening, there is less wind and more humidity, less chance of fire spread.

"It's been a really quiet year and hopefully it continues."

> *It's been a really quiet year and hopefully it continues*
> ***-Michael French***

Tips for home and cottage

French encourages residents to continue to respect the burn bylaw, have working smoke alarms in their homes, and if they are going to burn after 7 p.m. make sure the fire is out when they are done. He also recommends a garden hose or bucket of water nearby.

He added cottagers and homeowners should check out firesmartcanada.ca tips on how best to protect their building from the potential of fire spreading, such as cleaning out eavestroughs, sweeping pine needles off rooves, and keeping foliage away from structures.

Lake said there are quite a few things home and cottage owners can do to reduce the risk of wildland fires. She said people can call 911 when they see a fire, or smoke, and note the location, colour of smoke, and size of the fire or area burning.

She suggested that when doing yard work, people dispose of yard waste and woody debris by composting or at a local landfill.

She said there is a full set of outdoor burning regulations on their website at ontario.ca/outdoorburning

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Dysart okays shore builds

By Mike Baker

Dysart et al council is opting to proceed with proposed changes to its official plan and zoning bylaw to allow sheds, saunas and gazebos on privately-owned shorelines, though officials have recommended increasing setbacks from the water.

At a July 22 meeting, councillors agreed that waterfront property owners should be allowed to install any one of the three structures, settling on setbacks of zero metres for gazebos, five metres for sheds, and 10 metres for saunas. This remains a proposal for now – another public meeting will be held, plus further opportunities for council discussion, before it can be formally adopted.

Current rules stipulate any structure be located at least 20 metres from the water, while an earlier proposal, shared at a July 8 public meeting, called for that to be dropped to three metres.

"At the public meeting, more factual evidence was provided that justified maybe keeping the policies as currently written, compared to reasons provided… to support changing them," Iles told council this week.

Referencing a public survey that drew 735 responses earlier this summer, where 56 per cent were in favour of changing the OP and zoning bylaw, 40 per cent opposed and four per cent unsure, Iles added, "based on that, I still question whether the slight majority of residents who want to have a building in the water setback warrants changing our well-established shoreline policies that go back to 1977… and are designed to protect our lakes and are part of Dysart's unique character."

> *I still question... changing our well-established shoreline policies that go back to 1977*
>
> ***-Jeff Iles***

Coun. Pat Casey indicated he wants to proceed with changes to establish a more realistic framework for development on the water to allow property owners to make changes without requiring special approval from council.

"Why we're doing this is to absolve all the problems we get reoccurring every meeting," he said. "I'm still in favour of us staying the course here."

In his report, Iles provided two options to council – the first included eight recommended changes he feels will make the amendment more palatable for the public; the other was to close the file.

The first amendment called for saunas to be excluded from the policy, with the planner citing the potential for issues with floor drains possibly leading to unwanted pollutants seeping into the water. Casey contested that, saying he has never seen a sauna fitted with a floor drain. Iles said his research suggested 85 per cent of outdoor saunas have drains.

"The other issue is, unless they require a building permit there's no municipal oversight. If they do put a sauna in with a drain, we'll never know. It could drain into the lake for a number of years until a complaint is made," Iles said.

Council agreed to outlaw saunas with floor drains but allow ones without them. It was also stipulated saunas, sheds and gazebos be no larger than 10 sq. metres – Iles' fourth recommendation.

The planner also proposed permitting sheds and saunas within the established setback on lots with a steeply sloped grade (15 per cent or more), though council quashed that. He also recommended implementing a blanket four-metre setback for all structures, though council opted to implement specific distances for each.

Iles also called for applications to be subject to municipal site plan control – meaning owners would have to submit a detailed drawing to planning staff outlining what they want to install and where. He said these would not need to be professional renderings, per current policy, with staff prepared to accept hand-drawn plans providing they're neat and accurate.

This would remove the requirement for a shoreline health report, which is administered by the building department. Kris Orsan, Dysart's manager of planning, said he's worked in other municipalities where site plan control was utilized, noting it worked well.

"It could be a cookie-cutter template containing a name and a diagram – so that if there are issues or concerns, we have something [that shows] the applicant didn't adhere to the plans," Orsan said.

Iles noted standard site plan application fees are $1,200, but staff could work on reducing administrative overhead and lowering the fee.

Other suggestions, which were approved, included prohibiting the storage of boats and other motor vehicles and harmful fluids in sheds, and changing the definition of sheds, gazebos and saunas from 'roofed structures' to 'accessory buildings.'

Iles also suggested applicants complete a scoped environmental impact statement prior to any construction taking place.

"It won't be a full-blown environmental impact study, but it will provide options to mitigate development and ensure there won't be any negative impacts on… critical fish habitats, lake trout lakes at-capacity, and provincially significant wetlands," Iles said.

This means any property within 300 metres of an at-capacity lake trout lake and 120 metres of a provincially significant wetland will require a study, likely costing between $2,000 and $5,000. Iles said the study would address issues around erosion, stormwater runoff and removal of shoreline vegetation.

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Fleming: latest cuts won't impact HSAD

By Mike Baker

Fleming College has announced its new 47-bed student residence at the Haliburton School of Art + Design will open this fall, though Marcia Steeves, union spokesperson for OPSEU Local 351, said a strike mandate vote among support staff is "likely" - potentially impacting programming.

The contracts for roughly 300 full-time workers is up Aug. 31, while a deal covering 150-450 regular part-timers expired in January 2024. Talks are ongoing, though Steeves, who isn't a member of the bargaining team, said it seems the two parties remain far apart.

In a July 14 update to its 45,000 members, OPSEU/SEFPO said it is requesting a strike mandate with negotiations at an impasse.

If more than 50 per cent vote in favour, it could open the door for workers to walk off the job. Under the Colleges Collective Bargaining Act, five days' notice is required before a strike or lockout can be initiated.

The College Employer Council (CEC) says the call for a strike vote, "unnecessarily escalates matters just weeks before a new semester for students is about to begin."

CEC says the union wants wage increases exceeding 20 per cent over three years; benefit increases exceeding $25 million annually; 10 additional paid days off for family care; four additional paid holidays; and two additional days of vacation.

The makeup of Ontario's post-secondary system has been in flux since January 2024, when the federal government announced changes to international student intake. Since implementation, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) says the new rules has reduced numbers by 40 per cent.

HSAD endures

Fleming was hit hard – for the 2023-24 school year, the college had 3,500 international students enrolled at campuses in Haliburton, Lindsay, Peterborough, Cobourg and Toronto – accounting for half its student body.

The college did not provide international student numbers for the 2024-25 school year by press time.

Fleming College has cut 29 existing support staff positions and axed 21 vacant roles, while cancelling eight full-time programs in Lindsay and Peterborough. *File.*

Thirty-seven Fleming programs have been cut since the federal announcement – though none in Haliburton. The campus will maintain art certificate programs for artist blacksmith; ceramics; drawing and painting; fibre arts; glassblowing; and jewellery essentials, its visual and creative arts diploma program, and dozens of short-term art courses.

With Fleming announcing, on July 11, that 17 to 18 per cent of its support staff and administrators will be laid off, *The Highlander* asked if that could lead to cuts at HSAD, but the college was non-committal.

"We continuously evaluate enrolment trends, program costs, and community needs when assessing the viability of our programs. We remain committed to our vital role in fostering local and regional economic growth, providing accessible education, and equipping students with in-demand skills that strengthen the workforce," said Chris Jardine, Fleming's associate vice president of marketing and advancement.

Jardine added there has been no discussion about bringing new programs to HSAD, saying he expects enrolment "to remain relatively low, unchanged between fall 2024 and fall 2025." The college did not provide numbers.

Asked if the latest round of cuts will impact any Haliburton-based employees, Jardine provided no additional comment.

Steeves said 24 full-time and five part-time positions have been axed, while an additional 21 full-time vacancies will remain unfilled. She wasn't sure, as of press time, how it would impact HSAD.

"Given the nature of the ongoing process, where bumping may occur, we cannot provide specifics," Steeves said.

She noted Fleming's announcement said cuts would impact administrative and support staff, but "we have seen little movement in decreasing the number of administrators." Between 2020 and 2024, she claims the college increased administrative positions from 55 to 93, costing more than $4.4 million.

She added the union has filed two grievances for specific violations of the existing collective agreement.

Steeves is worried this will affect the quality of Fleming's academic programming and could lead to increased costs for students.

"We need to see reinvestment in the college system to support growth in our local economies," Steeves said. "Members are frightened. We are working in an environment that has lacked transparency in its direction and decision-making for quite some time."

Province criticized

OPSEU/SEFPO president JP Hornick said, provincially, 10,000 staff have been let go and more than 600 programs cut in what they described as one of the largest mass layoffs in Ontario's history. Steeves feels part of the blame lies at the feet of the Ontario government.

"The root problem remains the lack of base funding within the province from Ford's government and the lack of oversight of public institutions," Steeves said.

"We don't disagree that many colleges were forced to turn their minds towards increasing international student recruitment, what we disagree with is that this reliance was used to grow well beyond the intended purpose of the Ontario college system, concentrating on high profits and aggressive expansion," she added.

Bianca Giacoboni, press secretary to colleges, universities, research excellence and security minister Nolan Quinn, said the province has filtered about $2 billion in new funding to post-secondary institutions over the past 14 months, on top of the $5 billion it routinely puts in.

She blamed the sector's struggles on the recent federal changes.

"Due to the unilateral changes to the international student system, difficult decisions are being made across the country in post-secondary," Giacoboni said. "Our government will continue to support our college system, including Fleming College, and look forward to working with them on our funding review model to ensure long-term success and sustainability."

While confirming the student residence in Haliburton will open in the fall, the college didn't respond to a question asking how many of the 47 beds are spoken for. Asked if it planned to offer available units for rent to non-students, Jardine said, "not at this time."

On July 2, CEC announced Ontario colleges and full-time academic employees have finalized a new three-year contract – ensuring teaching staff will be in the classroom for the upcoming fall semester.

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Highlander news

AH cans talk of electing deputy mayor

By Mike Baker

Algonquin Highlands residents won't have the opportunity to elect a deputy mayor in next year's municipal election.

Council, during a July 17 meeting, opted against launching an online survey that would have given the public a chance to weigh in on local electoral reform. Currently, the position is filled following an election with councillors voting among themselves to see who gets to fill the role, which also grants a voice at County council.

Mayor Liz Danielsen has long been a proponent for electing deputy mayors. Broaching the topic again last week, she felt council should pose the question to the public to see how they would like the process handled.

"I think I've been doing this for 15 years now, but, to me, it's important this is something we consider given the fact the deputy mayor represents the entire municipality… this is someone who should be elected at large," Danielsen said.

Township clerk and deputy CAO, Dawn Newhook, said there are three ways to initiate change – expand council to six members; re-designate one of the two Stanhope-area ward representatives, with the possibility for a boundary review; or scrap ward voting and switch to an at-large system where voters cast a ballot for all positions on council.

The current system, electing the mayor by general vote and then two members from Stanhope, one from Sherborne, and one from McClintock, Livingstone, Lawrence and Nightingale, has been in place since March 2000.

Jennifer Dailloux, Algonquin Highlands' current deputy mayor, was selected by council to serve in the role following the 2022 municipal election. *File.*

Danielsen said she was not in favour of adding another member to council, citing additional costs, while she felt initiating a boundary review "would create all kinds of chaos."

By maintaining a system where elected officials decide among themselves who would serve as deputy, Danielsen felt council was opening itself to the perception of being self-serving.

"I really want to stay away from that. We have committed to being a little more open and transparent, involving the public in our decision-making, doing more surveys – that's all part of our strategic planning [process]. That's why I'd like us to do a survey… we're talking about making a decision on behalf of our constituents and they should have a say about this," she said.

Coun. Lisa Barry felt a survey was a waste of time and staff resources, saying the current system is one utilized by lots of municipalities across the country – including in neighbouring Highlands East.

She felt the implications of changing things – adding roughly another $30,000 to the budget for a sixth council member, which could present issues around tied votes, or reducing the number of representatives in Stanhope, were major. She said council would be in a difficult spot if it sought public feedback and opted against following through.

"If it comes back that everyone wants to elect the deputy mayor, that triggers discussions about boundaries and other stuff. I don't think the community wants those repercussions," Barry said.

Newhook said a boundary review couldn't be completed before a Jan. 1, 2026 deadline for establishing election processes. She also said the work would need to be contracted out, so there would be a cost associated.

Coun. Sabrina Richards was also opposed to a survey. While she believes the public does want to have a say in who will serve as deputy mayor, there's no way of effectively accomplishing that by year-end. Barry agreed.

"I feel like we'd [be] putting out a survey asking 'who would like a puppy?' Everyone is going to say 'I want a puppy', and then we're going to have to say 'sorry, no puppies'," Barry said.

Deputy mayor Jennifer Dailloux, who was voted into the role in 2022, initially agreed to a survey before changing her mind. She was the swing vote, with Danielsen and coun. Julia Shortreed in favour and Barry and Richards opposed.

While Danielsen labelled the idea "completely wrong, self-serving… and not democratic", Dailloux suggested council revisit the nomination process to allow councillors to put their name forward for deputy mayor without requiring a seconder. Newhook said she will bring the issue forward for further discussion at a future meeting.

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HIGHLANDS EAST NEWS

Coun. Angela Lewis had a number of comments at the July 15 meeting. *Photo by Lisa Gervais.*

Asset management plan

Jasmine Shadd, of consultant, PSD Citywide, told Highlands East council July 15 that 52 per cent of the township's infrastructure is in 'fair' or 'better' condition. She added the overall average condition, or 45 per cent, is 'fair.'

Shadd said that based on current replacement costs, the average annual capital needs over the lifecycle of all assets totals $2.9 million. However, she said the municipality is now funding 70 per cent of its annual capital requirements for all infrastructure analyzed – leaving a deficit of more than $850,000. She said they would have to raise taxes and annual water rates if they want to bridge that gap.

Shadd provided three possible funding scenarios going forward.

Coun. Angela Lewis asked how they assessed the condition of assets. Shadd responded they relied on consultant data from 2019, as well as the age of infrastructure. CAO Brittany McCaw said they add any improvements to infrastructure to the data base as they go along.

The replacement costs of the township's assets are $118m. Roads are worth $46m, buildings $38.5m, water network $7.6m; bridges and culverts $7.3m; vehicles $6.4m, the sanitary network $5.4m, machinery and equipment $5.4m and land improvements $1.4m.

The delegation was received for information only.

Herlihey Park

Property supervisor Jim Alden said they'd likely hold the official opening of Herlihey Park in late August or early September. Details will be shared with council and the public.

In an update at the meeting, he said the paths and parking areas have been completed. Trees have been planted, and landscaping around the playground area has been finalized.

He added additional beach sand will be added to the waterfront area, and weedy vegetation maintenance is scheduled. Garbage receptacles and a portable toilet will also be placed in the park.

"A few minor details, including signage, needs to be completed, otherwise this work concludes the first phase of development," Alden said.

Dogs ... township or OPP?

Bylaw enforcement officer, Wayne Galloway, said their clean and clear bylaw, as well as dogs at large, had taken up the bulk of the department's time since he last reported to council.

This prompted Lewis to ask "what determines whether it's bylaw or OPP when there has been a dog issue?"

Galloway said he believed the issue would be taken to the Haliburton County and Bancroft police detachment boards.

"As far as I'm concerned, any dog bite whether it's to a person or another animal falls within the Dog Owner Liability Act (DOLA) which is a provincial statute and it should be looked after by the OPP."

However, he said that in the past, OPP had been reluctant to do that.

He said with regards to a recent incident, OPP are looking into it. "I think we have to take it to the police boards and get a commitment from both Haliburton and Bancroft as to what's going to happen with DOLA."

The clean and clear bylaw forbids junk in yards, which includes garbage, construction materials, appliances, furniture, derelict vehicles and discarded boats. Weeds and grass are also to be limited to 20 cm and under, but exceptions are made for naturalized areas like shorelines and agricultural.

STR update

As of July 6, junior planner Kim Roberts said staff had continued to receive and review short-term rental licensing applications from June.

She said many conditional applications came due last month and staff have been working to finalize conditions and issue unconditional licences to these applicants.

Roberts added they'd received eight complaints through the STR complaints hotline. She said half were about unlicensed operations, two for noise, and one for over-crowding. She issued a STR order to comply to one operator, and three others have received more information from the township.

She added 95 first warning letters, and 60 second notice letters, have been issued. She said 59 properties are now either compliant or in the application process.

Lewis asked what happens after notices are sent. Roberts said people have 30 days after a first letter, and two weeks after a second. They should not operate as a STR in the interim.

"Further follow-up action for non-response will be taken once the staffing gap in the STR and bylaw enforcement departments has been filled. In the interim, staff will focus on addressing operations subject to complaints," Roberts said.

Staff also got the green light to publish the interactive GIS Dashboard on the municipality's STR licensing webpage, which contains STR addresses.

McColls bridge a success

Public works operations manager Perry Kelly said staff were pleased with the work to fix McColls bridge.

"By replacing only the bridge structure and not the abutments, this helped to move the process along immensely," he said.

"The shutdown was a one-day, 10-hour shutdown to replace the old with the new. The shutdown went flawlessly with appropriate planning leading up to the date of the removal and the installation of the new bridge."

The price tag was $667,000.

McCaw said it is expected the project will come in under the allocated 2025 capital budget.

(Highlands East news compiled by Lisa Gervais).

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County council gets behind Skyline Park

By Lisa Gervais

County council, at its meeting July 23, approved giving the Rotary Club of Haliburton $5,000 to put towards developing and installing historical display panels at Skyline Park.

Director of economic development and tourism, Scott Ovell, suggested giving the club $2,500 in 2025 and $2,500 in 2026.

Rotary has already received $5,000 from Dysart et al council, approved at a June 24 meeting – and was seeking matching funds from the County this week. The club will chip in the other $5,000 of the estimated $15,000 price tag.

Chair of the Skyline Park project committee, Charles Wheeler came to the council meeting. He said the overall scope of their larger project includes: new covered picnic shelters with picnic tables; a year-round accessible washroom building; expanded viewing platform; removing trees blocking the view; a new, upper viewing platform; landscaping and the historical display panels.

He said that on May 22, they asked the Dysart cultural resources committee to help develop "the narrative content" of the boards. He said they agreed to assist, along with County tourism staff.

Wheeler said they'll be installed by the upper viewing platform, off the existing paved parking area. He added they would be used to "frame in" the new platform.

They are looking at having; the history of Haliburton; things to see and do with a map; the history of Skyline Park; an Indigenous land acknowledgement; and a map of the physical geography of Haliburton.

Gerry MacDonald, John Beachli, Ursula Devolin, and Chuck Wheeler, pose at the Skyline Park platform. *File.*

Wheeler said they'd spent $20,000 to date on the overall project, with Haliburton County Development Corporation grants, a Rotary district grant, and a $5,000 donation by a cottager.

He added many retailers had supplied building materials or equipment rental at no, or low, cost. The remaining project cost is estimated at $200,000 over 2025-27. The Ministry of Transportation (MTO) recently committed to building the accessible washroom building and upgrading park fencing.

The remainder will come from Haliburton Rotary, with Wheeler encouraging people to buy tickets for their car draw.

He noted the MTO is responsible for maintaining the park once the project is done, not the County or Dysart et al. Nor do they expect to come back to the County looking for more money.

However, he said the township and County would benefit from building permit fees and "an enhanced Skyline Park that attracts tourists and tourist revenue."

It's expected the boards will be installed in spring 2026.

Ovell told council, "these funds would come from the tourism division's operational budget and can be supported with minimal impacts on operations."

Wheeler added the park, owned by the MTO, has had little or no capital investment since 1958.

EORN update

County council heard that only six new cell phone towers have been completed in the Highlands with another 23 still to go. However, 25 of 29 land use authorities are complete.

In an update from the Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN), it was further noted that all 21 upgrades to existing towers are complete. Three of four new co-locations are also done.

Data for the County is updated by Rogers on the 15th of each month. Data provided for the July 23 update was received on June 15.

Rogers has an aggressive schedule of completing all towers by 2026.

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Consistency is key

By Lisa Gervais

When we had that hot spell awhile back, many residents were wondering if the County's four townships would implement a fire ban.

They didn't, and some folks might wonder why.

A big part of it has to do with Algonquin Highlands, Dysart et al, Highlands East and Minden Hills all implementing new rules last year that people cannot burn between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. from April 1 to Oct. 31 every year.

It has been a game-changer.

Those burns were getting out of control in hot and windy weather, necessitating volunteer firefighters to respond to numerous structure and grass fires. That, along with hot and dry weather, led to the fire bans of the past.

It was a smart move by the townships.

Naturally, not everyone got the memo. Case in point a person who decided to burn some stuff in a barrel on the south side of Beech Lake during the day July 13. The fire spread overhead to the trees and the fire department had to respond.

That was likely a costly error, as the person can be liable for the price of firefighting equipment and personnel coming to put the fire out.

Of course, people can still have small, confined fires if watched at all times to cook food on a grill or barbecue, or for warmth

With the Ministry of Natural Resources currently putting the fire rating at 'medium,' it's possible there will no fire bans this summer at all. Fingers crossed.

So, while I laud our fire departments for working together so well, and leaving no room for confusion among cottagers and residents - I wish the townships could find some commonality when it comes to fireworks.

While bylaw responds to fireworks, not fire departments, fireworks can lead to fires.

French's Algonquin Highlands' recently banned all fireworks with the exception of Canada Day.

However, Dysart et al, Highlands East and Minden Hills still allow them on New Year's Eve, Victoria Day, Canada Day, the Civic holiday weekend and Labour Day.

In some cases, it means people on one side of a lake can set off fireworks, but they cannot on the other side of the lake.

If we had our druthers, we would prefer that all townships ban fireworks completely. It has been well documented how this form of human amusement impacts others. People with post traumatic stress disorder, for example, do not deal well with them. For those of us who love peace and quiet, it's annoying.

In 2023, Environment Haliburton! president Susan Hay asked County councillors to consider banning all personal fireworks displays, including their sale, in the Highlands.

She added other considerations could include allowing only silent fireworks, or not setting them off in May when birds are migrating or their young hatching.

She said they are toxic, put aquatic health at risk, cause extreme stress in birds, wildlife and pets, reduce quality of life for people, and add to greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution.

She added they emit absurdly high amounts of chemicals such as perchlorate, strontium, copper, titanium, barium, rubidium, cadmium, chlorine, and lead.

And, they can be a fire hazard. If our ecosystem is dry, a stray spark could cause a house fire or set fire to a tree, starting a wildfire.

It's time the townships unite – as the fire departments have – and ban fireworks in Haliburton County.

More change needed

By Mike Baker

It feels like Ontario's post-secondary education system is at a bit of a crossroads.

This week, we investigated recent staff cuts at Fleming College, which has campuses in Haliburton, Lindsay, Peterborough and Cobourg. On July 11, the college announced that 17-18 per cent of its support staff and administrators will be laid off. The OPSEU union representative we spoke to said that translated to 24 full-time and five part-time positions being axed. The college has also decided to leave an additional 21 full-time vacancies unfilled.

This is something we're seeing across the board – Ontario's 24 publicly-funded colleges have laid off 10,000 staff and cut more than 600 programs over the past year. Universities are also struggling.

This all comes 18 months after the federal government introduced new limits on international student intake. Since updated rules came into effect last year, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) estimates there's been a 40 per cent reduction in the number of overseas students studying here.

Something needed to be done. Back in 2010, there were 92,016 international students in Ontario according to Stats Canada. I was one of them. Fast-forward to 2023 and that number had ballooned to 526,015. Nationwide, we've gone from 142,170 overseas students in 2010 to 853,920 in 2023.

For the 2022/23 school year, Fleming College said it had 3,500 international students, accounting for half its student body. Frankly, that's an absurd number.

Prior to starting J-School at Durham College a decade-and-a-half ago, I attended an orientation specifically for international students. I was one of maybe 40 people in the room. Of the 200-plus students in my program, I was the only non-Canadian.

I've heard stories showing just how bad things have gotten in the years since. Programs were launched solely to attract international students, who pay at least double what domestic students do. I know someone who taught a class at Fleming that was filled with people from overseas – not one Canadian among a class of 30.

So, change was needed. Cutting back on international students was a necessary first step. Next, these institutions need to take a long, hard look at the programs they're offering and why. These places are supposed to train the next generation for important, needed roles in society.

Our trades, healthcare and technology sectors have been crying out for more workers for years. If more focus, and money, was directed to these kinds of programs – and less, say, towards the history of modern music or game theory electives I took during my studies, we would be much better off.

It's unclear at this point how much the latest job cuts will impact the Haliburton School of Art + Design. The campus has retained six art certificate classes and one diploma program for the upcoming school year. While we don't know exact numbers, the college says enrolment will "remain relatively low, unchanged between fall 2024 and fall 2025."

We've noticed a gradual decline in activity at the Haliburton campus in recent years. It's still a destination for some, given the niche arts-based programming that, it must be said, are led by world-class artists. Given the strength of the arts scene across the Highlands, we don't expect programs like artist blacksmith, ceramics, and glassblowing to permanently disappear anytime soon.

However, those offerings need to be augmented with more in-demand programs that can translate into real, full-time work upon graduation. The campus has a shiny new 47-bed student residence it needs to fill. It would be a shame to see it sit half empty simply because there's nothing here, programming wise, that appeals to a broader audience.

Perhaps it's time to teach the trades?

Editorial opinion

LETTERS

Good news?

Dear editor,

Re Minden scores healthcare expansion, July 17 edition.

I fully appreciate that this seems to be positive news, but is it really?

Two or so years ago, a fully operational emergency department was yanked out of Minden.

Did MPP Laurie Scott stand up in front of the emergency department and hospital and make that announcement?

Let's call a spade a spade. An announcement, now, of millions without details is a political ploy to try to get people to forget what she didn't do for Minden two years ago. I won't forget and I hope others don't either.

Otto Wevers
Minden Hills

We want to hear from you

The Highlander encourages readers to share their opinion on what is going on in Haliburton County. Letters can be a maximum of 300 words. They may be edited for space, and for legal concerns. Send letters to editor@thehighlander.ca .

Deadline is 5 p.m Monday for the Thursday edition.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK

Dan Johnson captured this image of a skink.

HUMANS OF HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS

They'll always return to Boshkung

By Susan Tromanhauser

"Would you like to buy a cottage?"

That's all it took for the Woods family to become seasonal residents on Boshkung Lake.

Friends from church wanted to ensure the cottage next door sold to a family they liked. At the time, the Woods' parents were wondering how to keep the family together as their children flew the nest. A cottage was a perfect solution and the family has been gathering on Boshkung every summer since.

This season marks 50 years since the Woods family first gathered on Boshkung to play in the water, enjoy their property and work on cottage projects. According to daughter Vicki Woods, "dad always says the cottage is where nothing works, but the owner." Upon arrival, guests check the job list on the side of the refrigerator to find out how they can help out. The Woods' routine is "work hard in the morning, play hard in the afternoon."

One of the family projects was the building of a large garage. With several small storage buildings scattered across the property, a guest commented what they needed was one large garage. Within 20 minutes, the Woods' patriarch was pacing out an area where the garage would be and a plan was created. Together, the family built what is now affectionately called "the hangar." It's big enough to store everything; including boats and a family member's convertible VW. The Woods family also uses the hangar to play their own version of ping pong.

The family has grown since 1975 with the original empty nester children now empty nesters themselves; but at the cottage there is room for everyone, including grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Vicki was able to purchase the property next door to expand the space. The family refers to her cottage as "South-Woods" while the original cottage is "North-Woods." The space is well-used as there is always an annual family gathering to celebrate the eldest Wood member. Vicki's father celebrated his 93rd birthday on July 8 with 23 in attendance for the extended weekend.

The entire community of Boshkung is important to the Woods family. Vicki recalls, "mom was involved with the Boshkung Millennia book project for the whole lake; telling stories of the cottages on the lake." Vicki continued in her mother's footsteps as the past editor of *The Informer*, the annual Boshkung Lake Association newsletter and now as the organization's president. She cites 80 per cent of the 272 properties on the lake belong to the association. "Through the skills and hard work of many volunteers, the association works." Among events she lists are regatta weekend and the upcoming second annual summer sizzle – food, music and dancing at the Stanhope community centre. Of course, there is always the annual general meeting she chairs to cover topics of concern to Boshkung cottagers.

The association is, "for those who love the lake and the memories it has given." This certainly includes the Woods family. No matter where the family spreads across the country, Vicki knows they will always return to Boshkung.

Vicki Woods. Submitted.

Highlander arts

One big kitchen party in the pits

Canada's Great Big Sea tribute band – Off the Rock – came to the big white tent at Abbey Gardens July 19. Great Big Sea was a Canadian folk rock band from Newfoundland and Labrador, best known for performing energetic rock interpretations of traditional Newfoundland folk songs, including sea shanties, which draw from the island's 500-year Irish, Scottish, and Cornish heritage. Off the Rock played the group's classics as well as East Coast traditional songs. There was even a spoon-off.

Above: Off the Rock, a Great Big Sea tribute band, entertains the crowd. *Photo by Lisa Gervais.*

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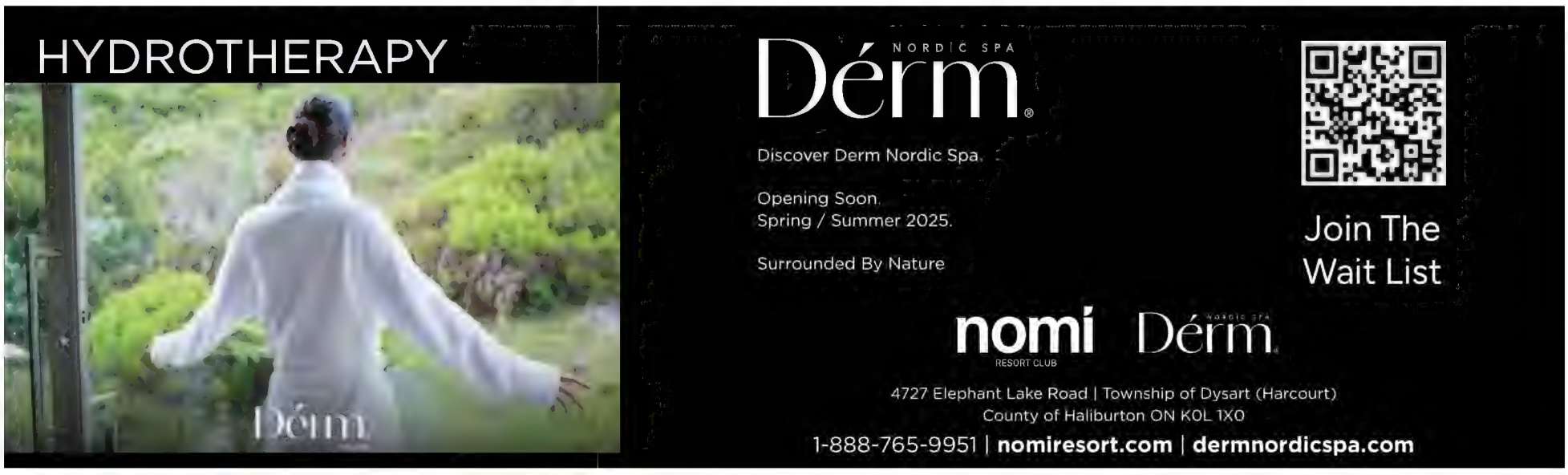
Art on the Dock celebrates 10 years

Artists on Kennisis Lake again opened their doors July 19-20 for the 10th annual Art on the Dock event. It was started and supported by the Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners' Association (KLCOA). Artists exhibit and sell their art. Over time, it has evolved to include some talented relatives and friends of the lake community. Artists display on their docks, outdoor spaces, decks, often inside cottages, in lofts or in their garages. Over the years, there have been knitters, musicians, painters, woodworkers, jewelry makers, food artists, potters, quilters, soap makers, photographers, glass artists and carvers of one-of-a kind creations. Through the event, the KLCOA has raised thousands of dollars in support of the local Artists in the Schools program.

Top left: Watercolour artist, Marie Roy. Top right: Brian Kalanda of Ghostbear Woodcraft shows off some of his work. Bottom left: Shelley Hopkins, Liz Liness of Dockside Café, and Maggie LeFevre brought the goodies. Bottom right: Paul Stanners and Marcelle Dixon provided some tunes. Inset: Sue Fukushima entertains visitors. *Photos by Lisa Gervais.*



Highlander events

ADVERTORIAL

The gentle rebellion of natural gardens

By Simon Payn

When I was a child, I played the violin in an orchestra. We sounded like cats - and not the Andrew Lloyd Webber kind.

The conductor would say the following: people remember the beginning and the end. It doesn't matter what happens in the middle.

I was thinking about this as I tended the garden at Lucas House in Haliburton. It was time to replace the mulch around the edges of the landscape. I ripped out the landscape fabric I mistakenly used to keep weeds at bay close to the sidewalk. It wasn't working and it's nasty stuff anyway. Then I topped up the area with fresh forest mulch. It looks much neater now.

Yes, it's meant to be like this

In my world, there is a concept called messy middles, neat frames. There is a related concept called "cues to care." In other words, it's wise to do something to make your landscape look like it is intentional rather than just gone wild. It's the gardening equivalent of my conductor's advice to the scratchy violins.

At Lucas House, you not only find the neat edges, but there is also a winding mulch path, a bench, and a couple of sculptures. The sculptures are the work of Corner Gallery and the Downtown Sculpture Exhibition rather than of Grounded.

However, the real action happens in the messy middle. While the beginning and end are important, it's the chords in the body of the music that this work is all about.

I guess what I am pondering is if it's really messy at all.

The buzz of Mountain Mint

July sees the bloom of Narrowleaf Mountain Mint at Lucas House. This is one of my favourite species: deer hate it, its leaves are faintly minty, and it fills space quickly. But more importantly, insects love its haze of tiny white flowers.

I often walk right into the landscape. When the Mountain Mint is blooming, the garden is buzzing. Stand still and you notice the flowers are full of insects - grasshoppers, beetles, butterflies. It's like the landscape is alive, visually and audibly.

This is what natural gardening is all about.

Nature is messy. It's complex and layered. It changes from day to day. It grows and it dies. And all the time - even in death - it is host to a rich diversity of life, a mutually supportive community that makes the planet function.

When I create a messy middle, I'm leading a gentle rebellion. I'm challenging the very concept of beauty. What is more beautiful, the neat cues to care or the messy buzz of insect life?

The rich dance of life

While traditional landscaping is a beauty of control and stasis, where plants are placed neatly, one by one, surrounded by mulch, and then kept tamed year to year, the beauty of natural landscaping is formed of abundance, richness and the ever-changing dance of life.

For us, beauty isn't just how something looks, it's how something functions. A diverse soil of roots and microorganisms supports a rich texture of stems and leaves growing in a mutually supportive pattern. And all this underpins a thriving community of insects, birds and mammals able to live their lives and give back to the world.

Beauty isn't about showing our dominance over nature, keeping it in its place as a backdrop to our lives. Instead, it's about being part of the web of life, helping it thrive and allowing life to help us thrive, too.

The neat frames and cues to care help us engage with the landscape. But it's the messy middle where the landscape lives.

Maybe it's time to follow the winding mulch path and come back to life.

Simon Payn is the owner of Haliburton-based natural garden company, Grounded. To find out more, visit groundedgardens.ca.

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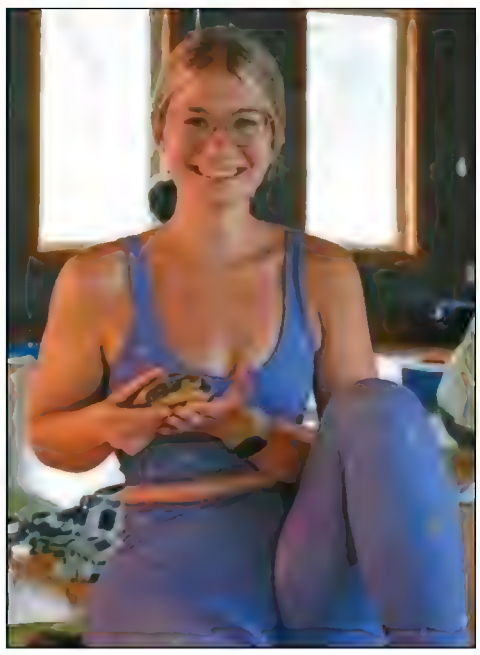

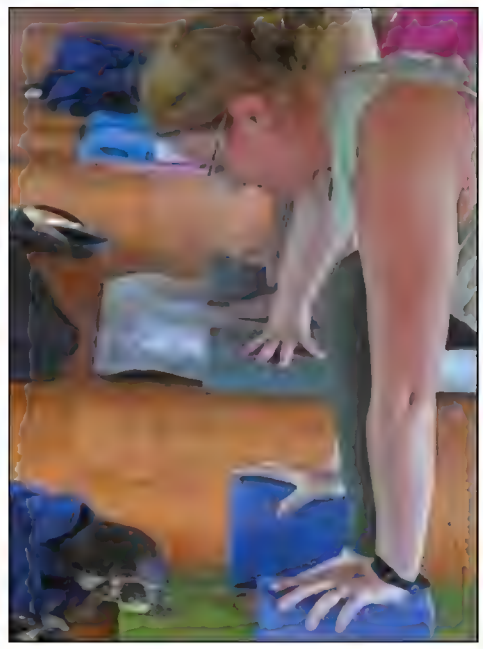

Keep calm and turtle on

Blue Sky Yoga Studio provided another first to County residents July 19, hosting a turtle yoga session at its Haliburton village studio. The event, with featured reptiles from Turtle Guardians, follows other animal-inclusive offerings in the County featuring dogs and goats. Leora Burman, of Turtle Guardians, said it's the first of several collaborations, raising $150 to help with a tank retrofit for Timmy, one of the turtles in their care. The event was organized by Annabelle Craig, with the session led by Lynda Shadbolt. Craig, a Turtle Guardians volunteer, said, "I wanted to give people a chance to connect with nature by connecting with themselves… this was a more unconventional approach to promoting and appreciating turtles and the wisdom they hold." *(Mike Baker).*

Top: Participants in Saturday's turtle yoga session pose for a photo. Middle: Wonita Sharp shares a moment with Niijii, a painted turtle. Bottom left: Melissa Downey couldn't help but smile while posing with Nimkii, a painted turtle. Bottom right: Amber MacKenzie maintains her focus on Emmy, a Blanding's turtle, while striking a pose.
Photos by Steve Sherwood.

Highlander events

Sweet finds

One person's trash is another's treasure – as many County residents and visitors learned at the fourth annual New to You Community Yard sale, held in the A.J. LaRue parking lot July 19. Hosted by Dysart et al township, the event drew about 25 vendors, with gently used household items, collectibles, vintage clothing, unique furniture and more available. The day has become a key feature of the township's recycle and reuse efforts, diverting items from municipal landfills. *(Mike Baker).*

Top: The warm weather drew people outdoors over the weekend, with hundreds swinging by the community yard sale event looking for a bargain. Bottom left: The tables weren't full for long, with lots shopping for new-to-them items. Bottom right: Larry Johnson, Avery Johnson and Carmelita Visperas packed their van with items looking for a new home. *Photos by Steve Sherwood.*

BANCROFT MINDEN FOREST – INDEPENDENT FOREST AUDIT

KBM Resources Group of Thunder Bay, Ontario has been retained by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources to conduct an Independent Forest Audit, consistent with the Crown Forest Sustainability Act, on the management of the Bancroft Minden Forest. The purpose of this audit is to assess forest management activities within the Bancroft Minden Forest during the eight-year audit period from **April 1, 2017, to March 31, 2025,** Specifically:

- Compliance with the Crown Forest Sustainability Act and associated Forest Management Planning Process;
- A comparison of planned versus actual forest management activities;
- The effectiveness of forest management in meeting objectives set out in the forest management plan;
- The effectiveness of previous audit action plans;
- Compliance with the terms and conditions of the Sustainable Forest Licence.

You are invited to comment on forest operations on the **Bancroft Minden Forest**. Please visit **www.kbm.ca** to complete a public audit survey or mail comments directly to the contact listed below.

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According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is $23,000
Minimum tender amount: $18,181.85
2. Roll No. 46 24 010 000 56010 0000; 201 MOUNTAIN ST., HALIBURTON; PIN 39172-0106 (LT); PT LT 15 CON 6 DYSART PT 1 19R5232; DYSART ET AL; File No. 24-03
According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is $34,500
Minimum tender amount: $7,325.90
3. Roll No. 46 24 030 000 40805 0000; PIN 39157-0107 (LT); PT LT 21 CON 4 HARCOURT AS IN H71718 S & E OF PT 4 19R1004; DYSART ET AL; File No. 24-14
According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is $28,000
Minimum tender amount: $6,493.38
4. Roll No. 46 24 010 000 17115 0000; PIN 39169-0240 (LT); PT LT 27 CON 2 DYSART PT 2 19R3299; DYSART ET AL; File No. 24-31
According to the last returned assessment roll, the assessed value of the land is $43,500
Minimum tender amount: $7,110.38

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit of at least 20 per cent of the tender amount, which deposit shall be made by way of a certified cheque/bank draft/ money order payable to the municipality.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the lands to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers. The assessed value, according to the last returned assessment roll, may or may not be representative of the current market value of the property.

Pursuant to the Prohibition on the Purchase of Residential Property by Non-Canadians Act, S.C. 2022, c. 10, s. 235 (the "Act"), effective January 1, 2023, it is prohibited for a non-Canadian to purchase, directly or indirectly, any residential property, as those terms are defined in the legislation. Contraventions of the Act are punishable by a fine, and offending purchasers may be ordered to sell the residential property.

The municipality assumes no responsibility whatsoever for ensuring bidders/tenderers comply with the Act, and makes no representations regarding same. Prospective bidders/tenderers are solely responsible for ensuring compliance with the Act and are advised to seek legal advice before participating in this sale.

Transfers of properties that contain at least one and not more than six single family residences and are transferred to non-residents of Canada or foreign entities, are subject to the Province's Non-Resident Speculation Tax (NRST).

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes and any taxes that may be applicable, such as a land transfer tax and HST.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

A copy of the prescribed form of tender is available on the website of the Government of Ontario Central Forms Repository under the listing for the Ministry of Municipal Affairs.

For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, visit:

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Highlander events

Left: Vince and Matt Duchene at the first hole at Blairhampton Golf Club July 18, kicking off the annual Matt Duchene Charity Golf Classic supporting HHHS. Right: Matt Duchene full swing on his first shot of the day.. *Photos by Mike Baker.*

Duchene classic swings for the green

By Mike Baker

For the third straight year, the Matt Duchene Charity Golf Classic has broken fundraising records, bringing in more than $234,000 for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF).

The sold-out event attracted 178 golfers to Blairhampton Golf Club July 18, eclipsing last year's total by around $12,000.

Vince Duchene, dad to National Hockey League star Matt, played a pivotal role organizing this year's event, alongside Troy Austen and Susannah Moylan. He said it's become the Highlands' premiere summertime attraction – particularly for sports fans.

Raking in $168,000 in sponsorships before the event and another $65,000 on the day via 50/50 and live auctions, Duchene said it's a big money earner for HHHSF – the primary fundraising arm of the Haliburton hospital and Minden Health Hub.

"If you don't have a viable, healthy hospital environment in a small town" said Duchene. "Also, my parents are in their 80s, many of my real estate clients are elderly… having a good hospital with the equipment to [diagnose and provide effective care], that's important… we want to be able to brag about our hospital."

In recent years, funds raised through the tournament have helped purchase new CPR assist devices, bladder scanners, ice machines, and room upgrades at Highland Wood and Hyland Crest long-term care homes.

Melanie Klodt Wong, HHHSF executive director, said this year's money will support equipment for the new womens' health clinic, an ECG machine for the Haliburton ER, an advanced nutrition program to be utilized by LTC staff, grants for HHHS staff education, and subsidies for community support services.

HHHSF board chair David Blodgett said the golf fundraiser has gone from strength to strength in recent years.

"This tournament has become an absolutely extraordinary success, exploding from an event that, five years ago, raised an average of $40,000 a year to now doing well into six figures… the team does a bang-up job," Blodgett said.

"This money is reinvested right back into our facilities to support the acquisition of critically-needed equipment that the government does not fund. It's unbelievable to see the community step up time and time again," he added.

Duchene said one of this year's live auction items – a trip for two to Dallas, including airfare, hotel stay and tickets to Cowboys (NFL), Mavericks (NBA) and Stars (NHL) games, donated by Matt, raised an eye-watering $30,000.

"Two years ago, that trip went for $10,000, last year two guys were bidding and it got up to $7,500 – so Matt offered two packages, bringing in $15,000, and this year the same thing happened again, but the bids went up to $15,000 each," Duchene said. "The energy in the room when the auction is going on, you can't even explain it. It's electric."

Other top-selling items were a package including a condo stay, restaurant coupon and four tickets to a Toronto Maple Leafs-Dallas Stars game; tickets to the Leafs-Montreal Canadiens home opener, and signed memorabilia from stars like Connor McDavid, Cale Makar, Jason Robertson and Shea Weber.

"If you're a golfer, or a hockey fan, this is one to put [on the calendar]," said Duchene, noting it routinely sells out months in advance.

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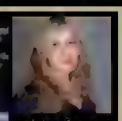

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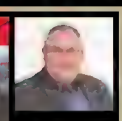

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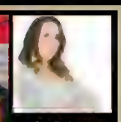

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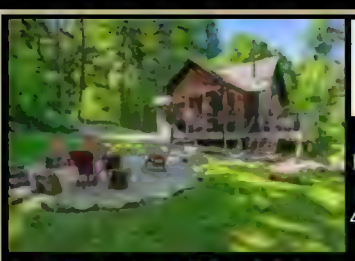

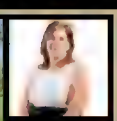

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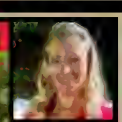

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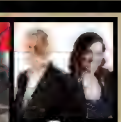

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Layla Sammak - Girls 4-6 - White Team

Rylie Miscio - Girls 7-9 - Kiwi Team

Skylar Prins - Girls 7-9 - Purple Team

Trinity - Girls 7-9 - Royal Blue Team

Coordinated team play the order of the day

Although the Tuesday afternoon soccer athletes definitely felt the weight of the hot and hazy atmosphere bearing down on them, the Thursday lineup of players experienced far more favourable conditions for game play on the pitch, despite a distant chance of rain clouds that loomed darkly in the eastern sky.

Both days, however, were once again filled with energy and excitement as enthusiastic young athletes took to the fields, ready to give it their absolute best.

The progress being made is becoming more apparent with each passing game, as developing and sharpening of individual skills now begins to blend into coordinated team play. Players are learning to move together, communicate more effectively, and anticipate one another's actions like a well-oiled machine.

As parents and supporters watch proudly from the sidelines, these determined young strikers are rising to the challenge, embracing both the competition and camaraderie that comes with the pursuit of victory.

They are learning to work hard, support their teammates, and find joy in playing the game alongside both longtime friends and new companions. With each match, the sense of unity and improvement continues to grow. Everyone is already looking forward to what next week will bring. *(Submitted)*

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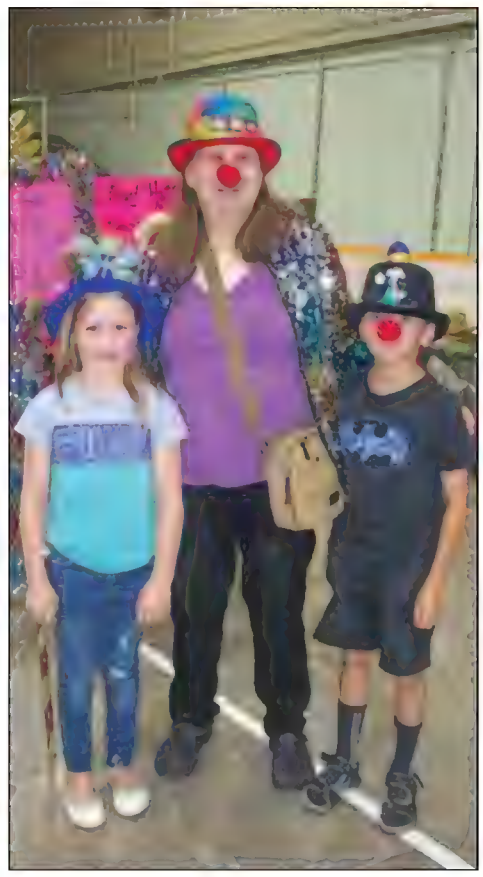

Pennies in, dollars out

It was a day out for the whole family July 19 in Wilberforce as the annual 'Gigantic Penny Raffle' event took over Keith Tallman Arena. Hosted by the Wilberforce FUNraising Group, Wilberforce Heritage Guild and Wilberforce Agricultural Society, there was a spaghetti dinner, kids crafts and activities – including facepainting and the popular Mad Hatter parade. There were more than 150 prizes featured in this year's raffle, with donations coming from over 250 people. Totals were not available by press time. The money will be used to support the group's bursary program for local youth going to post-secondary, while a portion will go to the Wilberforce Heritage Guild, which plans to repair the memorial cairn commemorating Alfred Schofield, refurbish the Wilberforce Red Cross Outpost nurse sculpture, and update its Orange Lodge exhibit. Money will also support the Highlands East fire department and the upcoming Wilberforce Agricultural Fair Aug. 8-9. *(Mike Baker).*

Left: Ira and Warren George help their children, Dana (left) and Arlo (right), decorate custom headwear for the Mad Hatter parade. Right: Two more kids ready for the Mad Hatter parade. *Photos courtesy of Barb Schofield.*

Highlander events

Tag, you're it

The Minden Health Auxiliary's annual Tag Day fundraiser broke records for the second straight year, bringing in $7,500 to support services at the Minden Health Hub. The money will be used to support Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) adult day program and fund improvements at the Minden site and Hyland Crest long-term care. "We are extremely grateful to everyone who visited us, they were so generous with their donations. A robust health care system benefits all of us – it's about taking care of each other," said auxiliary member Monique Perreault. "What a wonderful community we have." Donations are still being accepted via e-transfer at mindenhca@gmail.com. *(Mike Baker).*

Above: Auxiliary members Pauline Gilbert and Sue Ripley put on their best happy faces while greeting people outside Canadian Tire. Top right: Tatra Pelfrey and Diane Duff collected donations outside Stedman's on Bobcaygeon Road. Bottom right: Cecille Gibbons, a longtime Minden Health Auxiliary volunteer, thanked the "awesome" Highlands community for supporting Tag Day. *Photos submitted.*

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What's on

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills has received applications to consider by-laws to stop up, close, and convey those parcels of land, being shoreline road allowances, more particularly described as follows:

1. **File No. PLSRA2024053:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Horseshoe Lake, lying in front of 1035 Meridian Court, located within Part Lot 12, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Minden
2. **File No. PLSRA2024072:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of 1992 Deep Bay Road, located within Part Lot 20, Concession 10, Geographic Township of Lutterworth
3. **File No. PLSRA2025033:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Canning Lake, lying in front of 1016 Carefree Drive, located within Part Lot 11, Concession 14, Geographic Township of Snowdon
4. **File No. PLSRA2025039:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Kashagawigamog Lake, lying in front of 1032 Pilgrim Lane, located within Part Lot 25, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Minden

The above noted applications are available for inspection in the Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario by appointment only. Additional information may be obtained by contacting the undersigned.

AND TAKE NOTICE should you wish to provide comments with respect to the above referenced applications, please submit in writing those comments to the undersigned not later than end of day on **August 8, 2025**.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE any person who claims that their land will be prejudicially affected is asked to contact the undersigned not later than August 8, 2025.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE if deemed advisable, By-laws giving effect to the proposed closures and conveyances will be passed by the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills. Please note that a Council meeting to consider By-laws for the above referenced applications will be scheduled at a later date following the requiste commenting period.

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No. PLSRA2024053

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Farcical comedy

The next play in the Highlands Summer Festival season is Drinking Habits. The story involves two nuns secretly making wine to keep their convent afloat, while reporters and others try to uncover the truth. It leads to comedic situations and romantic entanglements. The play is a farcical comedy with mature themes, recommended for ages 13 and up. It will be playing from July 27 to Aug 1.

Pictured is the cast, from the left, front row, Janice Kiteley, Sam Buckland, Darby Bayly; back row, Russ Davidson, Victoria Bingham, Annie McBrien, Mac Ryder, Kirsten Sixt. *Photo by Wendy Evenden for Highlands Summer Festival.*

What's on

WHAT'S HAPPENING

JULY 24 - JULY 30 this week

Thursday July 24

Boshkung Brewing Live Music, 6 p.m.to 9 p.m.

Friday July 25

Smoke on the Water, Kennisis Lake, Erin Blackstock, 5 p.m.-8 p.m.

Haliburton Brewing, Loney, Love & Love, 7 p.m.-9 p.m.

Saturday July 26

Boshkung Brewing, Live Music 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Smoke on the Water, Kennisis Lake, Night Howlers, 12 p.m.-3 p.m

Boshkung Smokehouse, Farewell Radio, 6 p.m.-9 p.m.

Haliburton Brewing, Chris Smith, 2 p.m.-4 p.m.

Sunday July 27

Boshkung Brewing, Live Music 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Haliburton Brewing, Ragged Company, 2 p.m.-4 p.m.

Tuesday July 29

Haliburton Brewing Canoe FM Radio Bingo & dinner, 6 pm

Music in the Park, featuring Shannon Butcher, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday July 30

The Dockside Bonnie View Inn, Ragged Company, 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.

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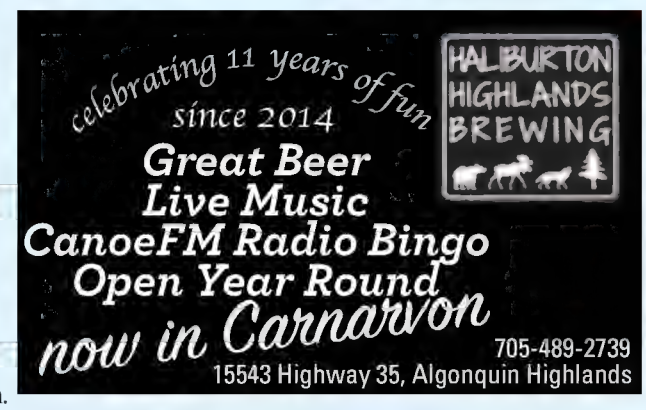

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Wednesdays: Bid euchre 1 p.m. start, Remembrance Hall. Bingo, doors open at 5 p.m. with a 7 p.m. start time, Remembrance Hall. There will be a $1,000 jackpot Aug. 6, Sept. 3, and Oct. 1. Snack bar available from 5:30 p.m. – French fries and hot dogs available while supplies last.
Thursdays: General meeting third Thursday of the month.
Fridays: meat draw, five draws, five prizes each draw, first draw at 4:30 p.m., last draw at 6:30 p.m., tickets $2 per draw. Paul Sisson, MC. Friday fun darts 4:30 p.m. onwards. 50/50 draw at 5 p.m., tickets are $1 and available in the clubroom. Beginning July 4, board games for seniors from 10 a.m. to noon.
Saturdays: Open only for special events
Clubroom hours: Monday 3-9 p.m., Tues 5-9 p.m., Wed/Thurs 3-6 p.m., Fri 3-7 p.m., Saturday and Sunday closed.

Upcoming events: Drum circle July 13, Aug. 3, Sept. 7, Oct. 5, Nov. 16, Dec. 7, Jan. 4, with a 1 p.m. start time.

Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, for rental information call Cheryl Waller at 905- 447-7741, email haliburtonlegionrentals@gmail.com or visit haliburtonlegion.com/facility-rentals Come on out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 129…everyone is welcome!

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Weekly activities:
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Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 624 Wilberforce

Mondays: open 7 to 10 p.m.
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Thursdays: open 2 to 6 p.m.
Fridays: open 2 to 11 p.m.
Saturdays: open 2 to 9 p.m.
Sundays: closed, special events only

Darts at 7 p.m. July 28. Cost is $5 per player.

Quick supper nights July 30 from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Menu changes weekly. Cost is $10 per person.

EVENTS

There's nothing better than summer reading. Pick up a free TD Summer Reading Club Kit at any Haliburton County Public Library branch. Read the summer away and complete activities for a chance to win a prize. Submit a 'book bingo' card and/or the 'reading passport' by Aug. 15 to enter the draw. There are activities for people of all ages and abilities.

July 24, 5 to 6:30 p.m. As part of its Community Heritage Series, the Minden Hills Cultural Centre welcomes Natalia Brown and Jack Brezina who will share stories on the art of letterpress printing and the history of *The Minden Times*. All ages welcome. Admission is by donation.

July 25, 10:30 to 11 a.m. The public is invited to a special story time at the Dysart et al branch of the Haliburton County Public Library, featuring local author Phyllis Bordo as she shares her book *Lilly Esther Rescues Her Park!* Perfect for children aged 4-8.

July 29, 10 a.m. Free guided walking tours in the Haliburton Sculpture Forest every Tuesday in July and August. Meet at the kiosk in the Fleming College - Haliburton School of Art + Design parking lot, at 297 College Dr. Wear comfortable walking shoes. Tours are held rain or shine and can take up to 2 hours. Tours are free but donations are greatly appreciated. For more information visit: www.haliburtonsculptureforest.ca

July 29, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. The Kinmount Friends of the Library is hosting a family-friendly event at the Kinmount branch, featuring miniature animals from Woolley Wonderland Farm. Make unforgettable memories, open to people of all ages.

July 29, 6:30 p.m. Haliburton Rotary presents Rotary Music in the Park at the Head Lake Park Bandshell. This week's performance features musician Shannon Butcher. Admission by donation. Bring a lawn chair or blanket.

July 31, Enjoy a movie under the stars at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre, which is showcasing two family-friendly features this summer. First up is *The Adventures of Greyfriars Bobby* July 31, with *The BFG* screening Aug. 28. Movies begin at dusk. Bring a lawn chair, blanket and snacks. Admission is by donation. Movies will be shown indoors if it rains. Afternoon movie features are at 1 p.m. July 25 (*Angels in the Outfield*) and Aug. 22 (*Strange World*).

Aug. 5, 4 to 5 p.m. Kids aged six years or older who want to learn about gardening are welcome to join the Horticultural Society Youth Members Program. Email minden.jr.hort.club@gmail.com for more details.

Aug. 5, 7 p.m. Join the Minden and District Horticultural Society at the Minden Community Centre for a talk from guest speaker MJ Pilgrim on 'the dirt on soap and home remedies'. Monthly society meeting to follow. New members welcome.

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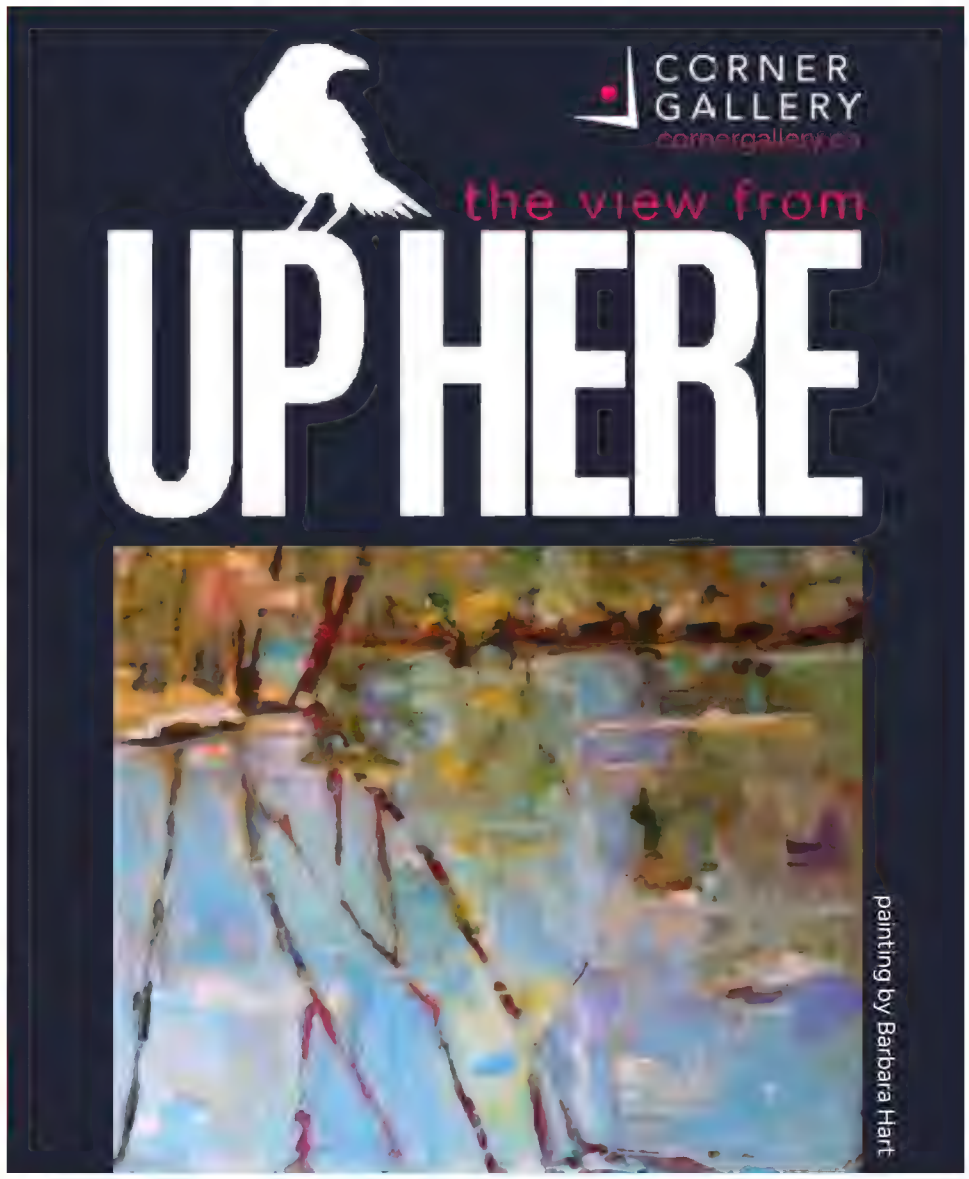

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Visit our website at www.haliburtoncounty.ca/careers for a detailed posting and job description. Forward your resume to shume@haliburtoncounty.ca no later than **4:30pm on July 31st, 2025**.

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NOTICE

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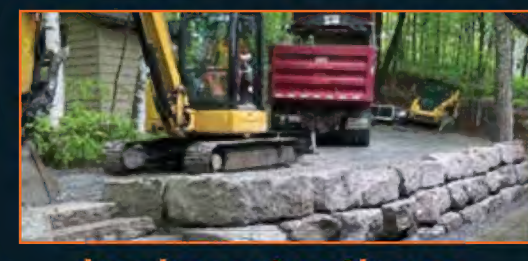
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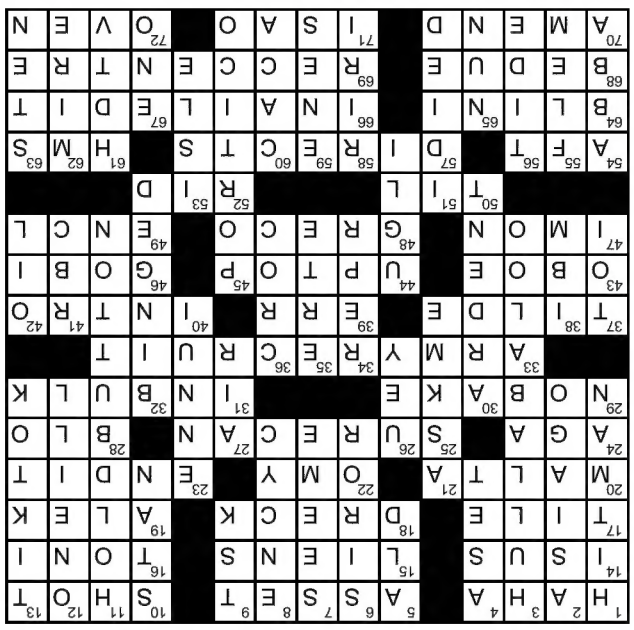

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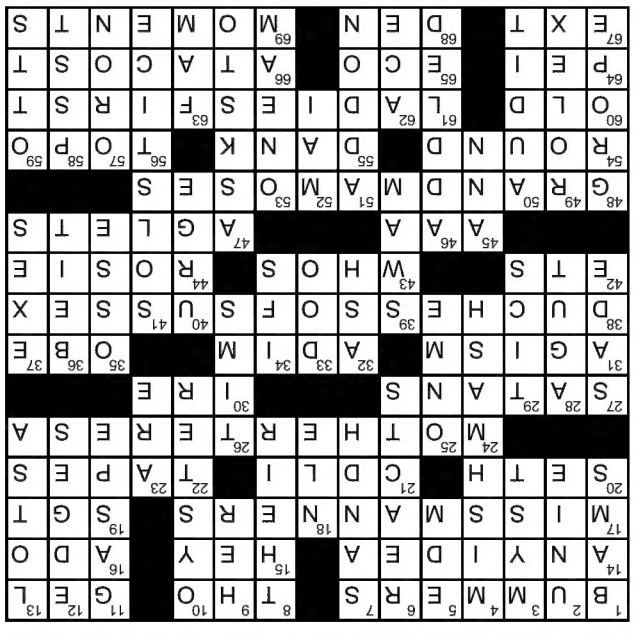

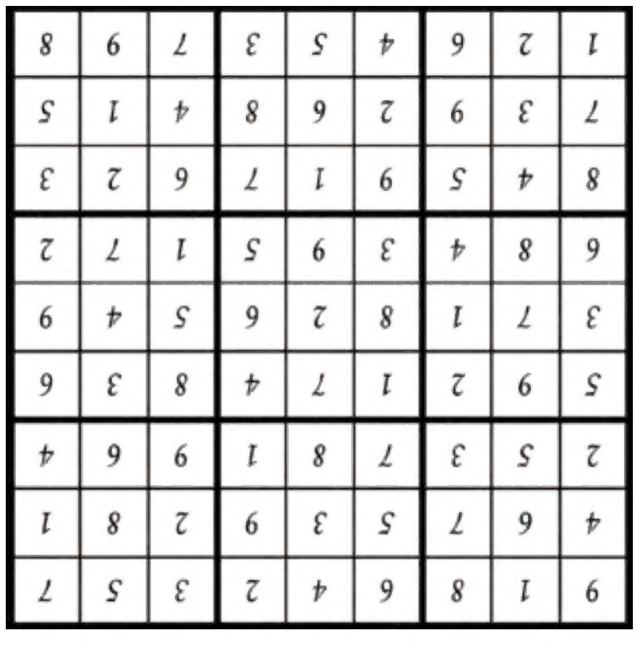

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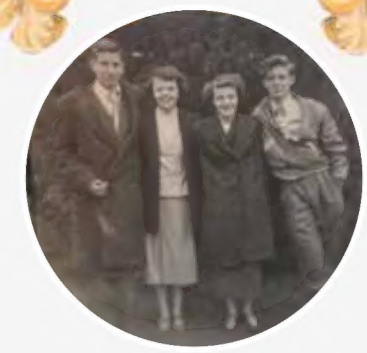

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OBITUARY

In Loving Memory of

John Albert Hall

It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of John Albert Hall, our Dad (predeceased by his wife Sandy). He died peacefully at Ross Memorial in Lindsay on Wednesday, the 2nd of July, 2025.

He was Dad to seven children; Annette, Tammy (Don), Robert (Kelly), David (Sharon), Eleanor (Robert), Heather, and Elizabeth. He was a fun loving Grandfather to Nikolas (Niki), Lincoln (Braeden), Dustin, Nicole (Miquel), John, Mathew (Krystal), Kenny, Bradley (Jamie-Lynne), Amanda (Mitchell), Shanine (Ben), Jenna (Lis), Hailey (Aiden), Lacey, Billie, Jordan (Breanna), Adam (Tiffani), and Cole. He was honoured to be a Great Grandfather 19 times over.

Jack was a loving brother to Grace Hollinger and Dean (Inge) Hall. Dad was kind, quiet, and generous, with a quick wink and sharp wit. He grew up in Goodwood and later moved to Victoria Corners, followed by an eventual purchase in Vallentyne, where he began farming on his own terms. Jack worked for General Motors and told many great driving stories with his carpool mates. In his younger years, he was happiest on his tractor in the field. Later, his joy came from taking Sunday drives with his wife Sandy, a picnic and a good time anywhere in rural Ontario. After a few years in Beaverton Jack and Sandy were pleased to move to their forever home in Tory Hill. This allowed Jack to realize a long term dream of having his own sawmill. He could amaze grandchildren for hours between the mill and the log splitter. Those memories will stay with us, and sharing them will keep the love and laughter alive and always in our hearts.

A brief Interment Ceremony will be held at 11:30 am at Sunderland Cemetery, Hwy 12 Sunderland, ON L0C 1H0 on Monday, July 28th, 2025 with a Celebration of Life to follow at Sunderland United Church, 10 Church St., N., Sunderland, ON L0C 1H0 at 12:30 pm. All are welcome.

Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.

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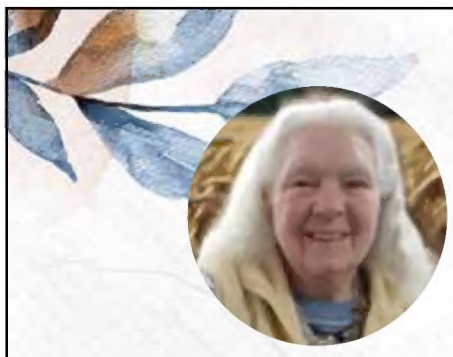

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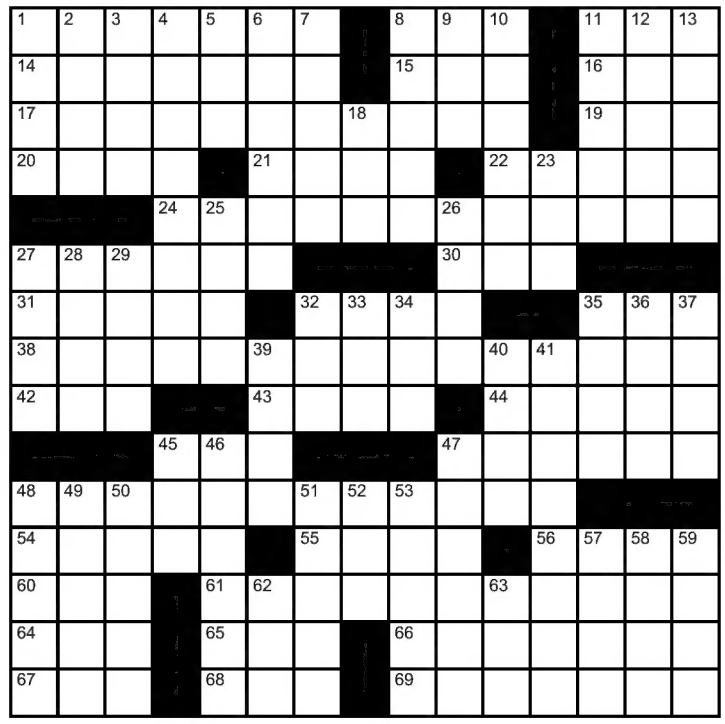

Across

1 Real letdowns, slangily
8 Albeit, briefly
11 Spiked do goo
14 "Got a guess?"
15 Cry for attention?
16 Something about nothing, to the Bard
17 Etiquette columnist of the '60s
19 Beatles' song title?
20 "Family Guy" creator MacFarlane
21 451, in old Rome
22 Damning evidence at Watergate
24 Canonized nun of Calcutta
27 Santa's evil anagram
30 Dander
31 Senior job seeker's barrier: Var.
32 Take ___ view of
35 U.K. esteemed honour
38 Megan Markle's regal title
42 Some space sci-fi foes
43 "Look ___ calling the kettle black"
44 Neil Diamond's "Cracklin' ___"
45 Skinny Duracell size
47 Plastic shoelace tips
48 Nickname of a painter who described her work as "old-timey"
54 Generous bar patron's order
55 Like an airless cellar
56 "___ the mornin' to you"
60 Sharp, as cheese
61 Gentleman door holder's words to a woman, or an alternate title for this puzzle
64 Prov. known for its red sand
65 Enviro-friendly prefix
66 Not without loss
67 Private line: Abbr.
68 Room to retreat to
69 Quick times

Down

1 Impact sounds
2 Joined, in Jonquière
3 Title video game island
4 A little of this, a little of that
5 Oilers, on a scoreboard
6 Isn't inert, in chemistry
7 E-tailer's extra chg.
8 Homophone of "there" and "they're"
9 Not me, you, him, us or them
10 Shucked shell food
11 Quebec peninsula and city
12 A cube has twelve
13 "Ha! ___ luck!"
18 Phillies' MLB div.
23 Texter's r
25 "Don't blame it ___!"
26 Where to "roll up the rim", for short
27 "Smooth Operator" singer
28 Bust ___ (crack up)
29 Quick spasms
32 Flicked bit of a butt
33 "Well, whoop-di-___"
34 Uncertainties
35 Bone: Pref.
36 "So ___" ("No argument here")
37 Splitsville residents?
39 Crawled along a lane?
40 Quitter's problem
41 Twice-yearly season switch
45 Abby's sister
46 Totally muddled
47 Requests that one be at
48 Try to find one's way in the dark
49 Watchmaker with a crown logo
50 Book cooker's fear
51 Expanding family's home project
52 Avril, ___, juin, ...
53 Witching hr. follower
57 "Straight ___ the rocks?"
58 Whispered 15-Across
59 Slugger Mel and others
62 Joker's neighbour in a new deck
63 Mom, dad and the kids

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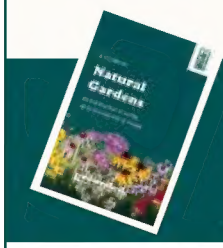

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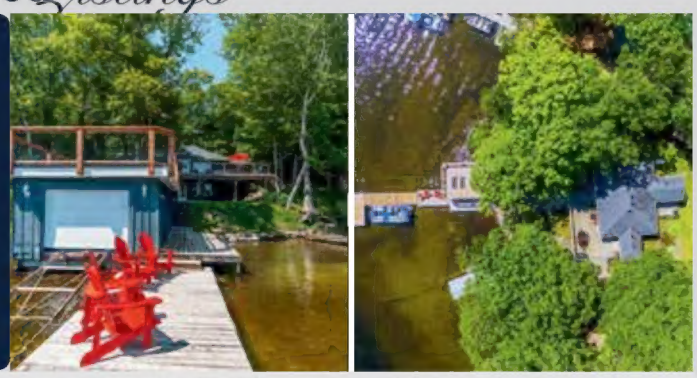

Private retreat on Little Boshkung Lake. 3 bdrm+den, 2-bath main house, 3 bdrm+den+ 1 bath guest cottage, triple+single insulated & heated garages, car hoist, boathouse, and 169' of south-facing shoreline. WOW!! What a package!

$1,995,000
Little Boshkung Lake

3+1 | 3 | 1.5 acres

3bd+den, 3-bath bungalow with many recents upgrades: ensuite, finished basement, wet bar, & more. This home is move-in ready with modern comforts, just 15 minutes from Haliburton or Minden and close to trails.

$600,000
Ritchie Falls Road, Minden

3 | 1 | 170ft

Private, fully furnished 3-bed, 1-bath cottage with 170' south-facing frontage. Year-round access, sunroom, f/a furnace, level lot, & primarily undeveloped views across the lake. Minutes to Gooderham & Haliburton.

$550,000
Trooper Lake

3 | 1 | 2

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